

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108

AREA M	FORM NO. 474
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City Lexington

Address 21 Winthrop Road

Historic Name Arthur F. Turner House

Use: Present residential

Original residential

DESCRIPTION:

Date (between 1898 and 1906) 1904

Source map research *Minute Man June 4, 1904*

Style English Revival

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric shingles

Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_

Major alterations (with dates) \_\_\_\_\_

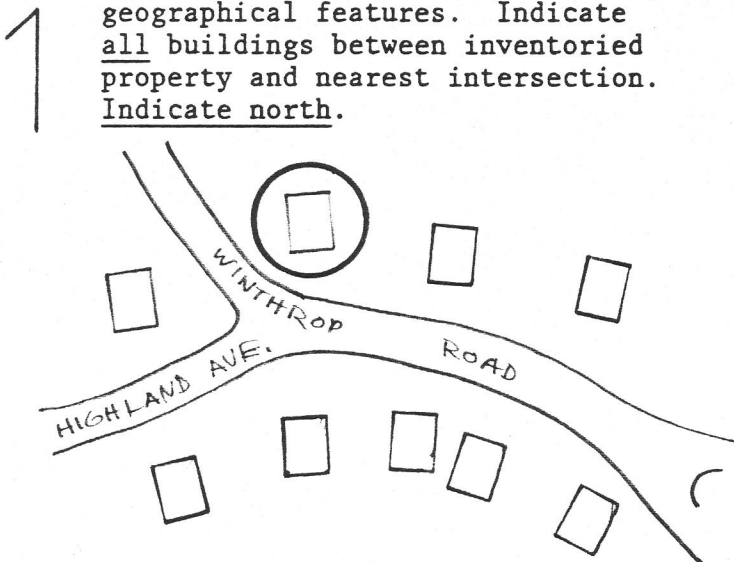
Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approx. acreage 19964 ft.<sup>2</sup>

Setting Residential street of substantial turn of the twentieth century houses.

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.



Recorded by Anne Grady

Organization Lexington Historical Commission

Date April, 1984

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

There are several houses in Lexington with this sort of gable treatment (but without the dentils). They include 24 Oakland Street, 3 Chandler Road, and additions to 19 Oakland Street (these other houses are by Willard Brown). The source of the gable design has not been identified. It could be a Willard Brown concoction. The house is really a late variant of the Shingle Style which is given a particularly "Old English" look by the gables.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.)

The house was built by Arthur F. Turner, a clerk in Boston. He married in 1904, so that may be the date this house was completed.

Alice  
Hamblen

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1906 Directory

# INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Town  
LEXINGTON

Property Address  
21 WINTHROP ROAD

Area(s) Form No.

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474

## HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

According to the *Lexington Minute-man* of June 4, 1904 J. Frank Turner was building a house on Winthrop Road. (Arthur Turner's father was John Franklin Turner). The last directory listing for Arthur Turner at this address was 1913.

William Brown, a Boston manufacturer, was living here with his wife Grace and family by 1918 and remained into the 1930s. In 1942 the house was occupied by Mrs. Annette Spencer.

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Lexington directories, various dates.  
*Lexington Minute-man*, June 4, 1904.

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